

To Whom It May Concern:

I was disappointed to read this morning that there is a proposal to limit the traffic and weather content that I am currently receiving from XM Satellite Radio. The inclusion of this service was the reason for my original purpose. Living in the Washington DC area, I found that relying on regular broadcasts for traffic information left me stuck in traffic consistently as they failed to provide any level of specificity or depth in their reports. It always seemed that traffic would be squeezed into a 15 second segment before moving into the next commercial. This amount of time was simply inadequate to cover the issues inherent in traffic for a region like Washington.

XM is a service that I pay for each month because they deliver a product that I have come to rely on heavily. It is always on when I turn to that particular channel, so I don't have to wait until I'm already in traffic to learn that I should have gone another direction. Consumer demand should set the marketplace, not regulators. I respectfully hope that you will not do so in this case.

Thank you for your consideration,
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